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Atty. Dkt. No. 038873-0102

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Zouren NIE et al.
Title: ER STRENGTHENING
ALUMINUM ALLOY
Appl. No.: 10/747,955
Appl. Filing Date: 12/31/2003
Examiner: J. C. Morillo
Art Unit: 1742

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:** (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

- ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on ____.
- ☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ____ but not considered.

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☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on

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☐ Other —.

b. Enclosed are:

☒ Reply Accompanying RCE.

☒ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

☒ Information Disclosure Statement.

☒ Form SB08 with copies of 2 listed references.

☐ Other .

Miscellaneous:

☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$790.00	= \$790.00
Total Claims:	13	- 20	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$0.00
Independents	3	- 3	= 0	x \$200.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$360.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$790.00

☒ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	0	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$450.00		\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00		\$1,020.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00		\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:			\$1,020.00
	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -			\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL			\$1,020.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$1,810.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:			\$1,810.00

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$1,810.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

☒ A check in the amount of \$1,810.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date January 13, 2008

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